

COMMISSIONERS MEETING
AUGUST 7, 2012

Present: David Gogel, Al Logsdon, Mickey Toler, Tara Lloyd, Chuck Painter, Attorney Jeff Lindsey, Auditor Jane Lynam

Meeting was called to order by President David Gogel at 8:15 A.M.

Minutes

Minutes from the June 5th, 2012 meeting were read and approved. Motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Toler, seconded by Logsdon, motion passed. Minutes from June 19, 2012 were read and corrected. Logsdon made a motion to approve the minutes with the correction of the number \$25,000 to \$250,000 concerning the Common Construction Wage Committee. Toler seconded the motion, motion passed.

Claims

There was discussion on claims; Logsdon wanted the checks held for claim # 100 to find out why they were billing us a year late. He asked the Auditor to call Debbie Schoolcraft at St Mary's Warrick and talk to her about this claim. Logsdon made a motion to approve payment of all claims as presented except for claim #100 until we find out more about information. Toler seconded the motion, motion passed.

Engineer Report

Lloyd said that the work on Huffman Mill Bridge had been completed by Schwartz Brothers, she will bring before and after pictures because it really looks nice. Lloyd is waiting to hear back from the Historical Society to get their opinion on the next step, which is painting the bridge, once we hear from them we can move forward with Quality Craft on the painting. The Highway Bridge crew is doing the anchors, this needs to be done before they paint.

Lloyd received a request from Commonwealth Engineers to put a parking area at the intersection of county road 200N and 500W for maintenance and service vehicles. Lloyd and Painter have both talked to them and have no problem with it as long as they put in the culvert pipe that is required; the landowner has no problems with it either. The original request came from the Luce Township Sewer District and Commonwealth as their contractor/Engineer made the request on their behalf.

Commissioner could see no problem with the parking area. Lloyd is working on getting out the specs to get estimates on the tree planting at Huffman Mill Bridge; will go on the recommendation of the planter/tree farmer. We have the money for the planting of the trees in Cum Bridge contractual Services. She is asking for two prices, seedlings and something a little more mature so we can choose which we want. Logsdon said the foliage in that area would have to be cut first or seedlings wouldn't have a chance in that environment.

Highway Report

Painter reported that 5 people had filled out applications for the mechanics position. He would like to have 3 mechanics, would like to sit down with the Commissioners and see what they think. Logsdon said he felt Painter could make the decision as to who he wants and then bring his recommendation back to the Commissioners. Logsdon asked about having someone from a vocational school to work on a part time basis. Toler responded that most vocational schools hours are from 7:30 to 3:30 so that poses a problem. Painter said that one of the requirements was that they have their CDL's and they can't get those until they are eighteen years old. Roads on the list to chip and seal are coming along pretty good, they are getting caught up. Painter will meet with Rudolph this afternoon to look at county roads 200 and 500 to see about patching where there are some bad spots. Toler asked what the cost for double chip and seal was for 2012. Painter said it was running \$32,000 a mile. Logsdon asked about Base Road north of 62; wanted to know if there was anything the county could do to keep the water from running off the property across the road and into the driveway across from it. Painter said he would look into the problem. Logsdon then asked if they would finish this year on CEDIT roads, weather permitting. Painter said he believed they would get them finished.

Logsdon then asked Painter what he had decided to do on replacing the three tractors. Painter said he was waiting on prices now to see what kind of ballpark figure we would need; mowers would actually cost more than the tractors. Toler asked how many hours they put on a tractor in a summer, and Painter responded that it runs anywhere from 800 to 900 hours.

Temporary Road Closing-Owensboro Air Show

Lindsey said we went above and beyond by sending notices and publishing a Notice of Public Hearing. Lindsey had also prepared Resolution 2012-09 for the Commissioners to sign if they decided to go ahead and close the road temporarily

Tim Roos with the city of Owensboro was present to answer questions. He explained that the FAA requires an aerobatic box for their performances in the sky. Area is about 600' by 3000' and about 500 yards of that goes onto the north side of the river in Spencer County. Owensboro has notified the land owners also by mail and phone; four of the five have responded that they would have no problems with

the closing. The closing would be approximately 2 to 2 ½ hours; closing at 12:30 and reopening at 3:00 to 3:15.

Logsdon asked who would stop the traffic on the river. Perdue answered that Kentucky Fish and Game and the Coast Guard would take care of that aspect. The Spencer County EMA will have boats in the river along with the Indiana DNR. Logsdon made a motion to approve Resolution 2012-09 for temporary closing of county road 710S for the Owensboro Air Show during the hours of 12:30 through 3:30 on August 24th and 25th. Toler seconded the motion, motion passed.

Burn Ban-Al Perdue

Perdue reported that the Fire Chiefs held a meeting on August 6th and 5 of the 9 recommended keeping the Burn Ban in effect. He explained that there are some people wanting to do specific burns and wanting to know why they can't. Perdue felt that anyone who needs to clean up something specific should work with their specific fire chief for approval. If they don't get approval and the fire gets out of hand they would be responsible. Gogel asked if the fire chiefs were willing to take on that responsibility. Perdue said he didn't know, but he would find out. Logsdon made a motion to continue the County wide Burn Ban pending the fire chiefs approval of taking on the responsibility of determining if conditions are favorable for burning in their district, then there could be burning with their approval. Kati Richard said that she felt this would cause problems, because they have already been bombarded with calls asking if they can burn. Gogel said he felt this could be a problem; we would be opening a whole can of worms by doing that. Lindsey said he would recommend leaving the Burn Ban in effect until the next meeting and if the Commissioners want to institute a formal program where you get burn permits we can work on that. That way until the next meeting it would be clear that the Burn Ban is still in effect. If you want to have a process where there is a burn permit approved by the district fire chiefs you could do that, but the fire chiefs would need to say that's something they want to get involved in. Logsdon said he withdrew his motion. Gogel said he had no problem doing what Logsdon proposed as long as the fire chiefs agreed to it. Toler said he felt we needed feedback from the fire chiefs before we do anything. Commissioners were in agreement that the Burn Ban would stay in effect as is until the next Commissioners meeting.

Bid Opening County Road 200W

Bituminous surfacing of County Road 200W from State Road 66 to Eureka Road
Engineer Estimate \$169,518.00; just a little over 1 mile in length, (5930')

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| 1. Gohmann Construction | \$167,180.00 |
| 2. J.H. Rudolph | \$152,361.00 |
| 3. E&B Paving | \$165,000.00 |
| 4. Metzger Construction | \$154,884.50 |

Toler made a motion to let the Engineer take the bids under advisement. Logsdon seconded the motion, motion approved.

Bid Opening County Road 800W

Bituminous surfacing of County Road 800W from Old State Road 66 up to 300N
Engineers Estimate \$248,481; a little over 2 miles in length. (11250')

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| 1. Gohmann Construction | \$256,775.00 |
| 2. J.H. Rudolph | \$230,046.25 |
| 3. E&B Paving | \$238,450.00 |
| 4. Metzger Construction | \$234,879.20 |

Toler made a motion to have the Engineer take the bids under advisement. Toler seconded the motion, motion passed.

Legal Report

Lindsey presented a summary of services rendered for the Commissioners approval.

Washington National Insurance

John Handsborough, Regional manager was present and spoke to the Commissioners about their insurance program. He explained that Washington National is a supplemental insurance similar to Aflac, Colonial Life, and other companies that do supplemental insurance. The states he covers are Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky, and Michigan but most important is Indiana because Washington National is based in Indiana. We can do a lot of different things in Indiana that we don't do in other states such as:

1. We are one of the suppliers of supplemental coverage for the state employees of Indiana.
2. Also a provider of supplemental coverage for federal employees of Indiana.
3. Cover 80% of counties in Indiana; also do cities.

Most important thing with our program is that it comes with a return of the premium if you don't use it; we return the premium every 20 years. Even if you do use it; say to have a mole removed and we pay you a claim of \$300.00 we deduct that \$300.00 and return the remainder of the premium to you, the employee. At age 75 the premium is returned every 5 years. Our prices are extremely low, the plan I passed out to you should explain this. Every employee who sits down with us for 10 minutes will receive a free gift. We ask for a payroll slot so we can put deductions together to offer to the county employees of Spencer County, just like we do for State and Federal employees.

Toler asked what other counties locally used this insurance. Handsborough explained that he could only give the names of counties who have agreed to let them publish their names, some that have agreed were, Martin, Perry, Dubois, Scott, Switzerland, Sullivan, Jefferson, Lawrence, Jackson and Washington. Gogel explained that we have an insurance committee that looks at insurance issues and makes recommendations to us. Logsdon said he would take the packet and make it available to the committee. And if they were interested we will get back to you.

Bids

County Road 200W low bidder was J.H. Rudolph at \$152,361.00

County Road 800W low bidder was J.H. Rudolph at \$230,046.25

Lloyd recommended awarding the bids to J.H. Rudolph for both County Road 200W and County Road 800W. Toler made a motion to accept J.H. Rudolph bids for County Road 200W and County Road 800W. Logsdon seconded the motion, motion passed.

Animal Control Ordinance

Lindsey passed out copies of the proposed ordinance to the Commissioners for their consideration; Ordinance was generated primarily by the Animal Control Board. Lindsey explained that they needed to have a first reading and give everyone a chance to study it, in case anything needed to be changed. Ordinance requires two readings and if adopted must be published in the paper. Toler made a motion to introduce and have the first reading by reference to the title 2012-12. Logsdon seconded the motion, motion passed.

Other Business

Cobra rates need to be adopted. Gogel explained that if we adopt the maximum they need a 30 day notice. Logsdon made a motion to adopt the maximum COBRA rates as presented on 7-27-12 by SIHO. Toler seconded the motion, motion passed.

Gogel said he had a request from the Mariah Hill Picnic Committee. Their annual picnic will be Sunday August 12th. They are asking for a temporary closing, a two block area from 1910 to 1930N from noon on Saturday, August 11th until 8:00 P.M. on Sunday August 12th at times as they deem necessary. Logsdon made a motion to grant permission to the Mariah Hill Picnic Committee to close the roads Requested if necessary on Saturday, August 11th and Sunday, August 12th. Toler seconded the motion, motion passed.

Logsdon presented a copy of the State Plan Strategic Framework to the Commissioners. After much discussion Logsdon said the bottom line was to connect Indiana employees with qualified workers. Students in school need some kind of idea what jobs are currently available and what would be projected out there in two or three years. They need to have a basic concept of what is needed for the career they want to pursue. This means we need Guidance Counselors that understand what the student needs for the available jobs and helps make sure they get that information and instruction. What we don't need is more students falling through the cracks by not getting the required training they need.

Logsdon wanted to make sure that each Commissioner had a copy of the report that was presented at the AIC meeting containing their version of the Rockport Syngas plant. Also copies of the Indiana Fiscal Condition Policy outlining the State's current fiscal condition.

Gogel asked if everyone had the information from ProLiance concerning the natural gas program they offer. Gogel felt that the Commissioners needed to look at what they had to offer. Logsdon said he would check with them about what they are offering and report back.

Logsdon reported that he had checked with St. Mary's to find out if we should stay with CRS to make sure that we are getting our coding done properly. St. Mary's said they checked the coding three times to make sure it was correct; they felt that everything was working very well right now.

Commissioners looked over quotes from Johnson Controls to clean all roof top units at the Spencer County Jail. Commissioners agreed that this was going to be done in house, not by Johnson Controls. Commissioners talked about setting tentative dates for the Health Screenings. Logsdon asked that Kim Hay come to the Insurance Meeting on August 21st at 9:30 A.M. so they could coordinate dates for the screenings.

Gogel discussed a claim from Walt Robinson; claim was for snow removal, spring maintenance, trimming, clean up and leaf removal. Gogel said he felt that most of this should be done by the person who received the mowing contract. Need to sit down and talk to both of these men to see what is going on.

Toler made a motion to adjourn, Logsdon seconded the motion, motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 10:38 A.M.

President

Attest:
